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SENATOR BEUTLER: ...everything else, but subject to the decision of private citizens working together with agency directives, and not a program...explicitly not a program for direct assistance to regulatory programs. So I would be interested in how the rest of you feel about that balance, because I think it's a very...a very good thing and a very innovative thing and I think it's worked well for a number of years now. But I hope we will maintain that bright line in the future. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Hartnett, on the advancement of LB 869.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Senator Kremer, could I ask you some questions? I want to refer to page 8, Section 5. Says from funds available, and that...that funds would be available from the Environmental Trust, I take it, in the Noxious Weed and Invasive Plant Species Assistance Funds, the director may administer a grant program to assist local control authorities and other weed management entities in the cost of implementing and maintaining noxious weed control programs and addressing special weeds control. The director shall receive applicants (sic) by local control authorities and weed management entities for assistance under this section. So as I read that, the director will have to get something from the local authorities then to go up. Is that correct? Is that the way you see this, Senator Kremer?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Yes. State that again, that they would have to grant?

SENATOR HARTNETT: That the grants would have to start locally. Say I live in Sarpy County, I have a problem with weeds, I would send my grant up to the director?

SENATOR KREMER: No, I don't think so. I think...

SENATOR HARTNETT: The director does it himself and then...?